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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In order to fulfill the requirements of candor and good faith set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicant submits herewith the following Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98.

UNITED STATES PUBLICATIONS

<u>APPLICANT</u>	<u>PUBLICATION NO.</u>	<u>PUBLICATION DATE</u>
Plaschka et al.	US 2006/0145468 A1	July 6, 2006
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>PUBLICATION NO.</u>	<u>PUBLICATION DATE</u>
EPO	EP 1525102	April 27, 2005
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NON-PATENT PUBLICATIONS

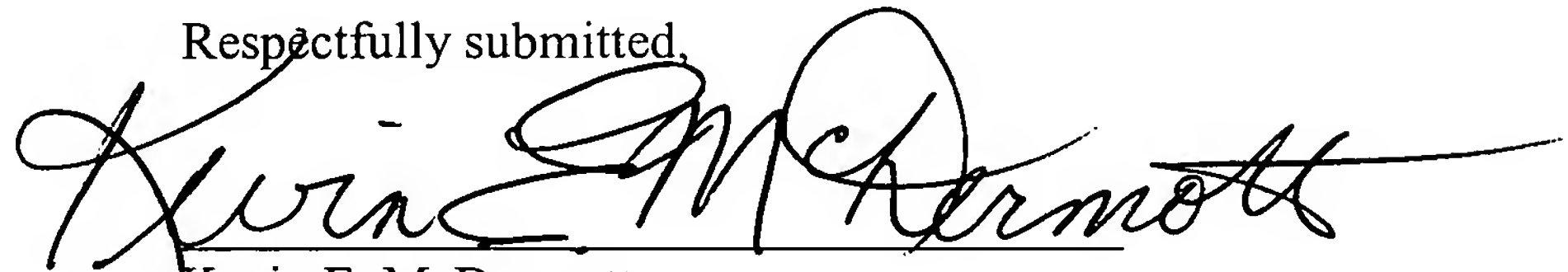
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The above-referenced references are listed on PTO Form 1449 and copies of the foreign patent documents and non-patent publications are enclosed to facilitate reference to them.

All of the documents, except for the Japanese publication, were first disclosed to the Applicant in a submission filed on May 5, 2009 in an Opposition proceeding in the European Patent Office to a counterpart application. The Japanese publication was first disclosed to the Applicant in a Notice of Grounds for Rejection issued on May 7, 2009 by the Japanese Patent Office in a counterpart application. Therefore, all of the references are being disclosed within 90 days of the date when the Applicant first became aware of them as required under 37 C. F.R. 1.97(e)(1) and no fee is due.

Applicant is not aware of any other references to be identified at this time. If the Examiner has any questions or comments relating to the present application, he is respectfully invited to contact Applicant's attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,

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